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In re the application of:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

To the Commissioner of Patents:

In response to an office action mailed January 14, 2003 the applicants hereby preliminarily amend their application as follow:

In the specification:

On page 47, lines 7 and 8, delete "Fig. 2 is a photograph of the apparatus for making flat plates of Fig.

1.".

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On page 47, lines 12 and 13, delete "Fig. 4 is a photograph of the apparatus for making cylinders of Fig. 3.".

On page 51, line 18, after the numeral 1, delete "in conjunction with Fig. 2".

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On page 52, line 9, after the numeral 3, delete "in conjunction with Fig. 4".

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